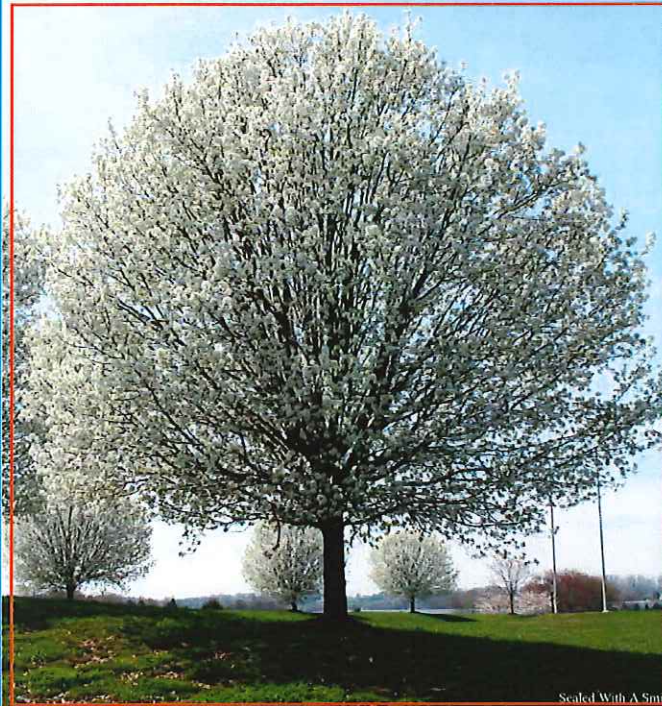


MERRILLVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

SPRING/SUMMER 2015



GENERAL INFORMATION

Town of Merrillville

Town Manager-Bruce Spires

Town Council

Tom Goralczyk

Shawn Pettit

Carol Miano

Donald Spann

Chrissy Barron

Richard Hardaway

Ron Widing

Clerk Treasurer

Eugene Guernsey

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Carol Miano-President

Donald Spann

Ron Widing

Contact Information

Merrillville Parks & Recreation Dept.

Pruzin Center

5750 Tyler St.

Merrillville, IN.46410

219-980-5911

Park Administration

Jan Orlich-Director

Merrillville Parks & Recreation Dept.

Email: jorlich@merrillville.in.gov

Ruth Hashu-Roorda-Recreation Coordinator

rhashuroorda@merrillville.in.gov

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8am—4pm

Website: www.merrillville.in.gov

Town of Merrillville Residents and Non-Residents

Programs and Services are available to Merrillville residents and non-residents. Residents are those that reside in the Town of Merrillville and pay property taxes that support Merrillville services.

PARK RULES

- Pets must be on a leash in all Town of Merrillville Parks.
- Please clean up after your pet
- Motorized vehicles are prohibited in park except designated parking areas.
- Motor vehicles prohibited on trails
- Alcohol is prohibited in all Merrillville Parks
- No littering or dumping is permitted.
- All parks are open from dusk to dawn except when authorized by Merrillville Park & Recreation Department.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARKS CLEAN

Medical Insurance

Individual medical insurance is NOT provided by the Parks & Recreation Department. Individuals are responsible for their own medical costs arising from injuries while participating in Park & Recreation activities.

Refund Policy

If the Merrillville Parks & Recreation Department cancels a program, program fees are refundable. Due to scheduling conflicts or weather related incidents an activity or class may be cancelled. Every effort will be made to hold a make up the class or reschedule it. If a participant can no longer attend a class or activity that they paid for, the participation fee will only be refunded with a Doctor substantiated reason.

Dress Code

Garments that have pictures or writing that is considered indecent, suggestive or otherwise, will not be permitted to participate in activities or programming that day. Individuals are not permitted to dress in a manner that will substantially disrupt the mission of the Merrillville Parks & Recreation Department, which is unsafe, or which represents a health hazard. Failure to adhere to the above dress code will result in loss of participation in the Town of Merrillville Parks & Recreation activities.

Merrillville Park Department Mission Statement:

Strive to enhance the quality of life of Merrillville citizens by expanding availability of leisure and recreational services while promoting a clean and healthy environment.

Merrillville Parks

Crescent Lake

74th Court. & Morton Street

Forest Hills

78 Indian Trail

Hendricks

80th Lane

Heroes Park

8303 Taft

Jennings

W. 80th Place and Jennings Pl.

Joseph Petruch Sr. Park

1403 W. 63rd Ave.

Kurtis Park

9 Meadow Lane

Meadowland

54th Ave. & Madison St.

Preserves Park

2081 E. 87th Ave.

Pruzin Community Center

5750 Tyler St

Rosenbalm

73rd Pl. & Chase St.

Savannah Ridge

74th Pl. & Johnson St

Southbrook

7488 Hendricks St.

John As. Stefek

70th Pl. & Harrison St.

Union Park

7200 Broadway

Wirtes

5860 Roosevelt St.

Merrillville's Trail System



Merrillville has two trails running through its corporate limits. The first trail is the Erie Lakawanna Trail, a 17.7 mile trail which starts in Hammond, Indiana and travels to Crown Point, Indiana. The Erie Lakawanna Trail is the longest contiguous trail in Northwest Indiana.

To catch the trail, you can park just North of the Crown Point Government Center to access the trail. Parking is provided.

The Chesapeake & Ohio Greenway referred to as the C & O trail winds through a tree covered, wooded canopy past John A. Stefak Park and continues through to Broadway.

COMING SOON.....

Phase II of the C & O Greenway will extend from Broadway under I-65 to Mississippi Street where it will connect to a popular shopping area with several eateries and activities.

2015 TRIPS



New Orleans



MACKINAC ISLAND

FORT MACKINAC
MACKINAC HISTORIC PARKS

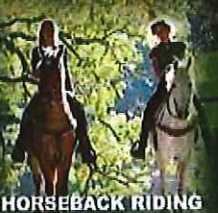
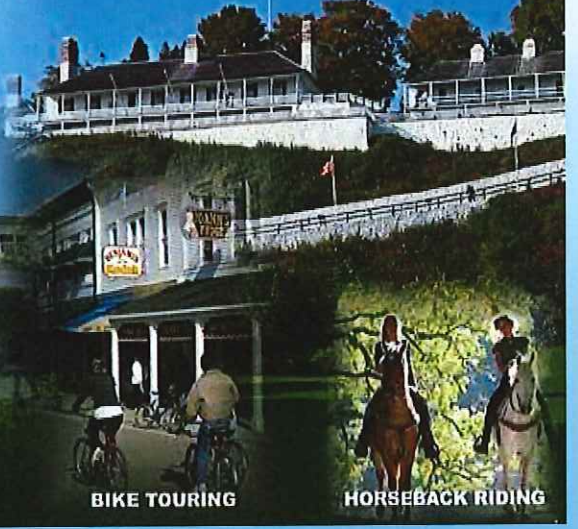
ARCH ROCK

CARRIAGE TOUR
(HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)

GRAND HOTEL

BIKE TOURING

HORSEBACK RIDING



MERRILLVILLE PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

New Orleans



INCREDIBLE PRICE INCLUDES:

- ◆ Motorcoach transportation
- ◆ 6 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in the New Orleans area
- ◆ 10 meals: 6 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- ◆ Guided Tour of a Louisiana Plantation
- ◆ Relaxing Riverboat Cruise on the Mississippi River
- ◆ Gaming at fabulous Harrah's Casino
- ◆ Visit to the National World War II Museum
- ◆ Guided Tour of New Orleans
- ◆ For more pictures, video and information visit: www.GroupTrips.com/MerrillvilleParksandRec

\$629 *

7 DAYS 6 NIGHTS

PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

(Sun - Sat)**July****12 - 18, 2015****Departure: Pruzin Park, 5750 Tyler St, Merrillville, IN @ 8 am**

Day 1: Depart your group's location in a spacious, video and restroom equipped motorcoach as you head for your destination: historic New Orleans! This evening, you will settle into a comfortable en route hotel for a good night's rest.

Day 2: Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will continue towards your destination. Tonight, you'll enjoy Dinner before checking into your New Orleans area hotel for a four night stay.

Day 3: Enjoy Continental Breakfast before you visit the National World War II Museum. You will take in a cinematic experience on their new 120 foot wide screen. It is a jaw-dropping experience in 4-D, a technique that engages all the audience's senses with digital effects, life sized animation, as well as film and sound. Then, enjoy a Guided Tour of New Orleans and learn about the past and present of what makes this unique city a treasure. This evening, you will Dine at a local New Orleans restaurant.

Day 4: Start out with Continental Breakfast before going on a Guided Tour of a historic Louisiana Plantation. Then depart for New Orleans. Enjoy free time to see some of New Orleans' many attractions. Do some shopping, stop to hear great music in the French Quarter – or just see the sights. This evening, you will Dine at a local restaurant.

Day 5: After Continental Breakfast, depart for some gaming at Harrah's Casino. Wind down the day with a wonderful Riverboat Cruise on the Mississippi River before enjoying a Dinner Party with Entertainment.

Day 6: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before leaving for the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum in Jackson, MS. Journey back in time as you learn how agriculture and forestry molded the history and heritage of this great State. This evening, relax at your en route hotel.

Day 7: Today after enjoying Continental Breakfast, you depart for home... a time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you have seen, and where your next group trip will take you!

ADD PEACE OF MIND TO YOUR TRIP...
With the Travel Guard's Protection Plan you have to completely cancel or modify your plans that. See back for details.

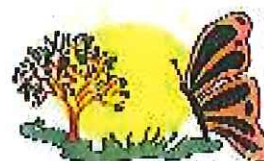
\$75 Due Upon Signing. *Price per person, based on double occupancy. Add \$210 for single occupancy.
Final Payment Due: 5/5/2015

FOR INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

Jan Orlich @ (319) 980-8911 or

email: Jorlich@merrillville.in.gov

This tour requires a minimum of 30 people



Merrillville
Parks & Recreation

Flyer Price includes Gratuities for Motorcoach Driver and Step-On Guides.

Form ID: 700-7J0708

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Tour#: 1120869



View the French Quarter



Jackson Square



Harrah's New Orleans



Enjoy a Riverboat Cruise

MERRILLVILLE PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

Mackinac Island



INCREDIBLE PRICE INCLUDES:

- ◆ Motorcoach transportation
- ◆ 4 nights lodging
- ◆ 8 meals: 4 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- ◆ Guided Tour of Mackinaw City
- ◆ Visit to Mackinac Island, including a Guided Carriage Tour
- ◆ Boat ride through the Soo Locks and free time and sight-seeing in Sault Sainte Marie
- ◆ Visit to Mackinaw Crossings
- ◆ Admission to Colonial Michilimackinac
- ◆ Gaming excitement at Kewadin Sault Casino
- ◆ For more pictures, video and information visit: www.GroupTrips.com/MerrillvilleParksandRec

\$535 *

5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS

PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

(Mon - Fri)

Sep 28 - Oct 2
2015



Tour Mackinac Island by Horse and Carriage



Soo Locks Cruise in Sault Sainte Marie



Mackinac Point Lighthouse



Mackinac Island Ferry

Departure: Pruzin Park, 5750 Tyler St, Merrillville, IN @ 8 am

Day 1: Board your spacious, video and restroom equipped Motorcoach and set off for Northern Michigan. Enjoy the beautiful scenery along the way and have Dinner before checking into your hotel tonight.

Day 2: After today's Continental Breakfast, head for Sault Sainte Marie, MI and take an exciting cruise through the Soo Locks. Next, enjoy lunch on your own and spend some free time in Sault Sainte Marie. Watch ships enter and depart the Locks from the observation area or browse the unique local shops and boutiques. Later, enjoy Dinner and gaming at the Kewadin Sault Casino before returning to your hotel.

Day 3: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, your adventure begins with a ferryboat ride to peaceful Mackinac Island where the only mode of transportation is by Horse and Carriage. Take a leisurely carriage ride tour of the Island and see splendid sites like the Arch Rock and Lilac Lane. Enjoy some free time to explore this quaint island. Later, cross the Straits of Mackinac again and enjoy a lovely Dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 4: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll take a Guided Tour of quaint Mackinaw City. Next, see the Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, dating back to 1892. After some free time at Mackinaw Crossings, visit Colonial Michilimackinac - A 1700's era Village. Later, enjoy Dinner with your friends.

Day 5: Today you'll enjoy a Continental Breakfast and depart for home... a perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen and where your next group trip will take you!

ADD PEACE OF MIND TO YOUR TRIP...
With the Traveler's Aid Protection Plan, you have the most important travel insurance plan that you can have. See back for details.

\$75 Due Upon Signing. *Price per person, based on double occupancy. Add \$150 for single occupancy.
Final Payment Due: 7/21/2015

FOR INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

Jan Orlich @ (219) 980-5911 or
email: JanOrlich@merrillville.in.gov
This tour requires a minimum of 30 people

Flyer Price Includes Gratuities for Motorcoach Driver and Step-On Guides.

Form ID: 5200-5A0406

WM



Tour#: 1087046

Put Your Mind at Ease on the Next Trip...

with the **Travel Confident® Protection Plan!**

Travel Insurance - Same Price - Regardless of Age!

PLAN BENEFITS INCLUDE:

Trip Cancellation: You are covered for your **FULL TOUR COST** in the event you must cancel your trip for one of the reasons below.

Trip Interruption: You are covered for reimbursement of your fare to travel home and your unused prepaid tour cost (the total, not to exceed your total tour cost), when you must leave your trip early for one of the following reasons:

Sickness, Injury or death to you, a traveling companion, a family member, or a business partner

Jury Duty or being required to appear as a witness in a legal action

A Strike that causes services to cease for at least 48 hours

Losing Your Job where you have worked for at least 3 years

Terrorist Attack, Hijack or Quarantine

Weather that causes your common carrier to cease operations for at least 48 hours

Fire, Flood or Natural Disaster that causes your home to become uninhabitable

Burglary of your home within 10 days of departure

Getting into a Traffic Accident on your way to your trip's departure point

You are covered for the "single supplement" surcharge if your roommate cancels for one of the above reasons.

**QUESTIONS?
CALL 1-866-684-0218**

2 EASY Ways to Sign Up:

1.) MAIL - Give a check to your Group Leader in the amount indicated by the table made out to "Travel Confident International" **OR**

2.) INTERNET - Sign up at www.travelconfident.com

Trip Cost (per person)		Travel Confident® Cost (per person)
Up to \$500	=	\$35
\$501 - \$600	=	\$45
\$601 - \$700	=	\$59
\$701 - \$1,100	=	\$69
\$1,101 - \$1,500	=	\$94
\$1,501 - \$2,000	=	\$129
www.travelconfident.com/exclusions.aspx		

RECEIVE THIS BENEFIT!

ACT NOW so you are eligible for **PRE-EXISTING CONDITION** coverage! You must purchase your Travel Confident Protection Plan within **14** days of wiring your check for your initial trip deposit.

Review the complete terms in the exclusion section of your policy.

Baggage Benefit - Up to \$1,000! If your baggage is lost, stolen or damaged!

Medical Expense - Up to \$5,000! If you are injured or become ill on the trip. You also are covered for up to \$750 in emergency dental treatment.

Emergency Medical Evacuation - Up to \$20,000! Should a severe illness require immediate care and a local hospital cannot meet your needs, you are eligible for transportation to the nearest hospital with appropriate treatment. A toll-free call to 1-888-203-2824 starts the arrangements. If you are traveling alone, you are also covered for the air fare of a companion to join you at the hospital (provided you are in the hospital for at least 7 days).

24/7 Assistance Services Included: Lost Baggage Retrieval • Emergency Cash Advance • Medical or Legal Referrals

• Prescription Drug/Eyeglass Replacement • Translation Services • Payment to the Assistance Company is Your Responsibility.

**** TIPS FOR TRAVELERS: ****

- Cancel with your Group Leader as soon as you are aware of the need to cancel.
- In the event you need to file a claim, contact Travel Insured International at 1-888-684-0218 as soon as possible, file paperwork to provide the insurance company with proof of payments for all portions of your trip, including the insurance.
- Get detailed medical statements from treating physicians where and when an accident or sickness occurred. Save your receipts, proof of all payments and proof of insurance. Pay by check or credit card when you can.
- If you have purchased the Travel Confident Protection Plan, for emergency medical evacuation call the Assistance Company at 888-203-2824 or email at SOB-200-8750. Be sure to call before you incur any expenses!

**** Please remember - this Flyer IS NOT your insurance policy. Be sure you receive a copy of your policy and read**

it before your trip. See your Group Leader or visit www.travelconfident.com to obtain a copy. **

This is a brief summary of benefits under the Plan. The benefits are subject to the provisions, limitations and exclusions of the Policy. Refer to Your Policy for complete details. Plans are underwritten by the United States Life Insurance Company. The Quam & Foster group of companies is rated A (Excellent) by AM Best Company 2012. Not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions. Travel Assistance Services are provided by an independent organization and not by United States Life Insurance Company or Travel Insured International.

MERRILLVILLE PARKS SPRING/SUMMER 2015 EVENTS

Trash N' Treasure Sale - 8am to 1pm

Sat. May 16 & Sat. Aug. 29, 2015.

Pruzin Community Center Parking Lot.

One man's trash is another's treasure. Come and browse the gently used items and arts and crafts. Food vendors and baked goods are welcome with approved Health Dept. Food Service Certification. Booth space is available on a first come first serve basis. Vendor set-up begins at 6am. (All items brought by vendors MUST be removed at the end of the sale.) 10 x 10 rental space \$26.75 Vendors must supply their own tables/tents, etc. Booth space is limited to the first 30 vendors. Call the Merrillville Park & Recreation Dept. at 219-980-5911 to reserve your booth space. Booth space is reserved when full payment is received.



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Merrillville Park Department will sponsor **FREE** outdoor concerts at Pruzin Park

CONCERT IN THE PARK-DUPAGE

THURS. JUNE 25, 2015. 7PM. PRUZIN PARK OUTDOOR GAZEBO.

Enjoy an outdoor concert at Pruzin Park. The best in dance music covering Motown, 70's, 80's and 90's music, Dupage plays an amazing mix of music that will make you dance the night away at Pruzin Park.

CONCERT IN THE PARK- LATIN SATIN SOUL

THURS. JULY, 30, 2015

One of the hottest and most dynamic bands of the decade. Latin Satin Soul will perform their hits at Pruzin Park. Come out and listen to one of the best horn sections around as Latin Satin Soul plays the night away at Pruzin Park. Latin Satin Soul will get you out of your seat dancing to their hits all night long

CONCERT IN THE PARK- NEVERLY BROTHERS

THURS. AUG. 20, 2015

The Neverly Brothers play all your favorite rock and rhythm & blues hits from the 50's through the 60's. Their repertoire consists of rendition of hits by Buddy Holly, The Beatles, Rolling Stones, Dave Clark Five and many other artists who shaped rock n' roll and R&B.



MERRILLVILLE SPRING/SUMMER 2015 EVENTS

SENIOR PICNIC

Friday August 7, 2015

11:00am. Come and join in on the fun at the Senior Picnic at Pruzin Park. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and other picnic favorites will be grilled. Bean bags, Horseshoes and games will be played. Raffles, Prizes and free giveaways. Picnic begins at 11am. Lunch served at noon. Picnic ends at 3pm.



TOWN OF MERRILLVILLE "INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE"

FRIDAY JULY 3, 2015 6:30PM

Everyone loves a parade; whether it's because of the decorated floats, the marching bands or the nostalgia of the red, white and blue. Bring your lawn chairs or blanket and enjoy. The Town of Merrillville will host the Independence Day Parade on Friday July 3rd at 7pm. If you are interested in taking part in the parade, please call the Merrillville Park Department at 219-980-5911 for information. The parade route will begin at 80th & Broadway and travel North to 67th & Broadway.



Parade application on next page. Fill out and return to Merrillville Park and Recreation Dept. 5750 Tyler St. Merrillville, Indiana OR fax application to Merrillville Parks at (219) 980-0928.

MERRILLVILLE INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE APPLICATION

The Merrillville Independence Day Parade will take place on Friday July 3, 2015.

Name _____

Organization Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E mail _____

PARADE CATEGORIES (Please check which applies)

_____ Commercial Float. Music? ____ Yes ____ No

_____ Classic Cars (Limit 6)

_____ Auto club (limit of 6 cars/vehicles)

_____ Watercraft

_____ Antique Vehicle

_____ Fire Trucks

_____ Antique Fire Truck

_____ Police Cars

_____ High School Band

_____ Color Guard

_____ Baton Group

_____ Dance/Gymnastics Group

_____ Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts

_____ Other Organization (Please list)

_____ Horse / Horse & Buggy _____

_____ Special Entry. Length of Unit in feet and brief description of unit. _____

Other (If your category does not fit with any selections above, please provide a brief description of entry.

Parade Line-up at Geisen Funeral Home—80th & Broadway begins at 5:30pm. Parade leaves Geisen Funeral Home at 6:30pm and travels North on Broadway to 67th Ave. (High School Entrance).

We understand that NOTHING (candy, favors, coupons, advertisements, business cards, silly string, water guns, etc) can be thrown, passed out or squirted along the parade route. Stopping along parade route will be prohibited.

Applicants Signature

Date

Trash N' Treasure Sale Application

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____ Cell number _____

Please check the date you will be a vendor. _____ Sat. May 16, 2015 _____ Sat. Aug. 29, 2015

Please check the category that best suits you.

_____ Clothing/Household items _____ Produce Vendor

_____ Food Vendor _____ Tools Vendor

_____ Equipment Vendor _____ Arts & Crafts

Please provide a brief summary of items that you will be selling

All food vendors are required to submit a Food Service Temporary Permit the morning of the event issued by the Lake County Health Dept. Permits can be obtained at 2900 W. 93rd Ave. Crown Point, IN. 46307. No food items can be sold without proof of Food Service Permit.

There is space for 30 vendors. First come, first serve. All paid vendors are required to be at the Pruzin Center for set-up at 6am. Upon check-in you will receive a vendor number. Vendor numbers will give you the location of your booth. Trash N' Treasure sale begins at 8am through 2pm.

Tables, tents, chairs, etc. are not provided by the Park Department. You must bring your own table and must clean up all your items at the end of the sale. Dispose of all garbage in the dumpster located on the North side of the Pruzin Community Center.

The Merrillville Park Department reserves the right to cancel an application with an exhibitor at any time the exhibitor's stock is deemed unacceptable or offensive or was not fully disclosed in the application.

Total payment must be made full two weeks prior to each Trash n' Treasure Sale.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Booth cost \$25.00

Sales Tax 1.75

TOTAL \$26.75

Trash N' Treasure Sale is a cash only event. Vendors must secure their booth with a full cash payment along with a completed application.

Cash payment date _____ Receipt # _____

Merchant Vendor Contract

Please check all that apply:

☐ Dupage Concert.. Thurs. June 25, 2015. 7pm to 9pm

☐ Latin Satin Soul Concert. Thurs. July 30, 2015

☐ Nevery Brothers Concert. Thurs. Aug. 20, 2015

Name _____

Business Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email Address _____

List and describe all items to be sold _____

_____ Information Booth \$50.

_____ Arts & Crafts \$75 plus tax

_____ Food Vendor \$100 plus tax (without electric)

_____ Food Vendor \$125 plus tax (with electric). (Note: We can only provide 110 volt electric)

_____ Alcohol Vendor. \$200 plus tax. Must be approved by the Town of Merrillville Administration. Liquor vendors are required to show proof of Alcohol permit, servers permits. Construction of beer garden will be the responsibility of the Merrillville Park Department with approved diagram from ATC (Alcohol & tobacco commission).

Generators that produce noise, will not be allowed. Placement of vendor booths will be determined by Merrillville Park Department.

AMENITIES

Water. ☐ Yes ☐ No

ALL VENDORS MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Signed copy of the contract
2. Each vendor must attach a copy of a liability insurance certificate listing the following as additionally insured
 - A.) Town of Merrillville
 - B.) Merrillville Park Department
 - C.) Merrillville Town Council, Employees, agents, contractors, sub-contractors.
3. Diagram of setup including dimensions.
4. No refunds

Vendors must furnish all display fixtures, chairs, tables, coverings, risers and canopies. Electric available is 110 Volt only. All spaces will be assigned by the Merrillville Park Department. Merrillville Park Department reserves the right to cancel the contract at any time if the exhibitor is deemed unacceptable or did not fully disclose information in contract. All items must be clearly priced. Set up for the event will begin at noon the day of the event and ready by 6pm. All returned checks are subject to a \$50 service charge and will be presented only once.

Vendor Signature

Date

Program and Activity Registration

To register for any of the activities and classes offered by Merrillville Park & Recreation Department, simply sign up on line. Go to, "Activenwi.com" and browse through the categories offered by Merrillville Parks Department. Choose the activity or program, register, pay by credit card **OR** stop by the Merrillville Park Department located at the Pruzin Community Center at 5750 Tyler St in Merrillville and sign up through the Park Department. It's that easy.



Active Northwest Indiana.

Browse through the activities and programming at your leisure and sign up from your home computer. IT'S THAT EASY.

Visit Merrillville Park Department and sign up for an activity or program



ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS

Yoga

\$40 (6 sessions)

Mondays, April 27

9:30am to 10:45am



Yoga is a universal program that incorporates breathing and stretching exercises which creates a balance of body, mind and spirit. This program works on every part of your body including the massaging and stimulation of internal organs. Yoga can improve obesity, fatigue, mental clarity and circulation. Your body will relax and enjoy the relief from stress from your every day life. Minimum 10. Maximum 20

Enhanced Fitness

FREE

Tues., Wed., & Thurs.

8:00am to 9:00am



Come and participate in a free fitness class for keen agers sponsored by the Northwest Community Action Agency. A fitness instructor will be taking you through fitness exercises from warm up to cool down. Exercises will consist of cardiovascular and strength training exercises that will keep up active, energized and maintain health and function.

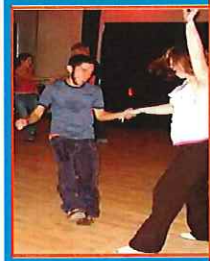
Ballroom Dancing

\$40 (6 sessions) per person

\$70 (6sessions) couples

Wednesdays

10:30am to 11:30am



Learn to dance like the stars!
Dance Instruction will include the Cha Cha, Swing, Rumba, Tango, Fox Trot, Waltz and Latin style of dancing.

We will have you dancing in no time. Individual and/or couples classes offered. Bring your dancing shoes!

Minimum 6. Maximum 20

Aerobics

FREE

Tues. & Thurs.

9:30am to 10:30am



As part of an active lifestyle we would like to keep our seniors fit and active. Aerobic exercise can effectively improve your health. You will exercise alongside a DVD of low impact or (gentle) aerobics. You will increase your stability, balance, energy levels and strengthen your cardiovascular system. Join us for a workout twice a week.

Women's Self Defense

\$15.00 Resident

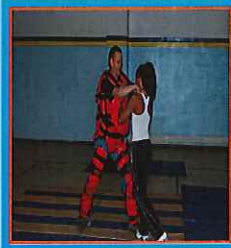
\$20.00 Non-Resident

Wed. May 13 6p-7p

Wed. June 17 6p-7p

Wed. July 15 6p-7p

Wed. Aug. 19 6p-7p



This class is open to all women of any age. This class will prepare you to defend yourself in a variety of situations. The class will provide practical skills preparing you for emergency situations.

Minimum 6. Maximum 20

Get Fit !!!

Line Dancing

Resident \$65

Non-Resident \$70

(10 sessions)

Tuesdays

Starting May 12

6p to 7:30p



Get Fit Line Dancing with Dr. Kathy Smith will boost health and fitness awareness by dancing to music. The classes will incorporate several genres of music stimulating exercise through dancing promoting physical and mental wellness.

Minimum 6. Maximum 30

Walkers in Motion

FREE

Monday through Fridays

9:00am



Join us Monday through Friday and walk the track at Pruzin Park. Enhance your mental well being and reduce the risk of coronary heart disease, osteoporosis and improve sugar levels by walking each day. Merrillville Parks Department is promoting heart healthy living by walking. The track is open seven days a week from dawn to dusk.

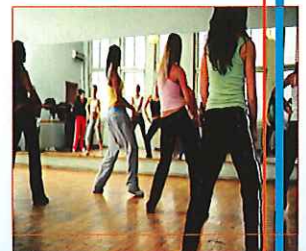
Mindful Movement (10 sessions)

Thurs. May 7 11am to 12pm

Thurs. May 7 6pm to 7pm

Residents \$35

Non Residents \$40



Sway to the rhythm, glide across the room, tap your toes to the beat. These are some of the ways we will explore the use of movement to increase strength and flexibility. We will use our bodies, breath and our senses to reconnect to center ourselves. A great stress reducer. Healthy snacks and other goodies will be focused on.

Minimum 6. Maximum 30

Pinochle, Bridge

FREE

Mondays

11:30 to 2:30pm



This is a social card group for Merrillville residents 55 and over. This is a great opportunity to meet new people and enjoy a game of cards. Exercise your memory, concentration and strategy by playing cards. Games involve reasoning, problem solving and information processing. Playing cards provides social interaction and keeps your brain healthy. Join us on Mondays.

Needlecrafts

FREE

Tuesdays

10:30am to 12:00pm



Needlecrafts can include crochet, needle point, knitting, quilting, tatting, embroidery,, tapestry and appliqué techniques. Come join the needlecrafts class. Participants will work individually on their own projects that they might want to sell in the "Trash and Treasure" sale in the Spring. Bring in your own projects to work on and share your craft with another individual.

Computer Classes

FREE TO RESIDENTS 55 AND UP

Please call for information.



Merrillville Park Department will

schedule computer classes for those that wish to learn how to use a computer.

People over 55 years of age are the fastest growing segment of computer and internet users. If you want to learn how to surf the web, send an email, write a letter or prepare a spreadsheet of monthly finances sign up for Computer Classes. The classes will be limited to 10 individuals at a time. Classes will take place at Merrillville Town Hall.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Soccer

Ages 2-12

Resident \$53

Non-Resident \$58

Tuesdays

April 28—June 2

June 9—July 14

4:30pm-5:15pm

This soccer camp will concentrate on the fundamentals of beginner soccer. Learn introductory skills which include agility, coordination, ball handling .

Minimum 6. Maximum 20



Kindermusik—Beach Days

Ages 2—3 1/2 with parent/caregiver

Resident \$60

Non-Resident \$65

Materials Fee- \$35

(CD,book,castanets)

June 9—July 7

12:45p—1:30p



Grab your beach ball, we're going to the beach. We'll enjoy favorite songs and dances, do the Octopus Hula, Jump on a banana boat and relax to gentle beach sounds and songs. Beach Days is as fun as a trip to the beach. Sign language is incorporated into the classes.

Minimum 5. Maximum 10

Adult Colored Pencil Drawing Class

Ages 16+

Resident \$45

Non-Resident \$50

June 10-July 15

July 29-Sept. 2



Fred Holly brings 15 years of teaching experience to his classes. This course is designed to teach beginner or advanced colored pencil techniques. Using Prismacolor pencils students learn rendering techniques.

Supply List: Prismacolor Sets (24-48-60-120). Additional pencils needed: Goldenrod, Warm Grey, Terra cotta, Lime Peel, Tuscan Red, White, Paper, Canson, Light Blue, Tobacco Brown. Razor blade/knife, paper stump and typewriter eraser needed.

Minimum 9. Maximum 18

Adult Acrylic Painting

Ages 16+

Resident \$45

Non-Resident \$50

June 11-July 16

July 28-Sept. 3



Fred Holly will take the beginner or advanced student through various techniques of acrylic painting. Still life., landscape and portrait.

Supply List: Graphite paper-Black, water container (small cup), paper towels, kitchen sponge, 1/2" flat brush, #6 round, liner brush, fan stiff brush. Paint: titanium white, mars black, burnt umber, burnt sienna, azo yellow, yellow ochre, ultramarine blue, raw umber, sap green, cerulean blue hue, naphthol red. Tape: green painters tape, blue painters tape. Illustration board, palette-disposable plastic plates or butcher tray, masking fluid-Winsor & Newton. Cheap brushes for masking.

Minimum 9. Maximum 18

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Just Dance

2-(6 week sessions)

Mondays

June 8-July 13

July 20-Aug. 24

Ages 3-6

Residents \$55

Non-Residents \$60

3:30pm—4:05pm

This class includes various styles of dance, ballet, jazz ballet, creative movement and hip hop. Ballet shoes and for girls a tutu is required.

Minimum 6. Maximum 14



School Age Gymnastics

2-(6week sessions)

Mondays

Ages 6 -12

June 8-July 13

July 20-Aug 24

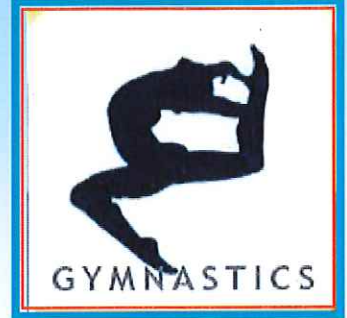
4:45pm—5:30pm

Residents \$55

Non-Residents \$60

This class allows a beginner or experienced gymnast the opportunity to receive one on one instruction.

Minimum 6. Maximum 14



RUBINO'S MUSIC CENTER

RUBINOS MUSIC, SOUND & LIGHTING.....

Is partnering with the Merrillville Parks to offer music lessons. Vocal, Guitar, Violin, Saxophone, Keyboard & Percussion. We are introducing classes geared towards the entertainment industry. The NEW Laser Light Production is now available. All lessons at \$25 per half hour. Sign up on-line at www.activenwi.com (Registration required through Active Northwest Indiana.) All classes will take place at Rubino's Music Center located at: 8102 Georgia Street in Merrillville, IN. Classes can be scheduled at your convenience from 10:30am to 8pm. Drums and keyboard lessons include the use of instrument at Rubinos. All other instruments must be furnished by participant. Rubino's has a wide selection of new & used instruments and can work within your budget. We will offer 4 week sessions beginning the first of May.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Karate Class

2-(6 week sessions)

Wednesdays

Apr 29 –June 3

June 10-July 15

July 22-Aug. 26

Ages 2– 4

4:30p –5:05p

Ages 5-10

5:10p—5:55p

Residents \$55/Non-Residents \$60

(\$25 uniform and patches charge).

Drills are incorporated that teach life skills .

Striking, kicking and punching will be taught through games and obstacles. Class requires a

Minimum 6 - Maximum 14



Pre-School Gymnastics

2—6 week sessions

Mondays

June 8-July 13

July 20-Aug 24

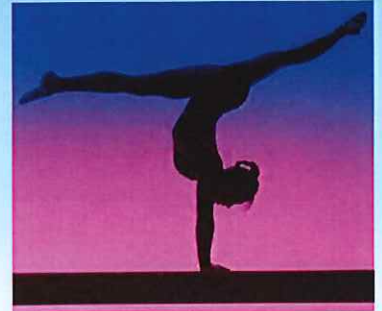
Ages 3 to 5

4:10p-4:45p

Residents \$55/Non-Residents \$60

An introduction to gymnastics are taught. Students will experience tumbling, bars, vault and balance beam. Age appropriate skills will be taught.

Class requires a minimum of 6. Maximum 14



ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMING

Merrillville Parks Dept. recognizes the importance of protecting, preserving and restoring ecosystem functions. Our goal is to engage the youth of the community with programs that they will be actively involved in.

Water Quality Stream Sampling– Workshop open to 25 participants of any age group.

Rain Garden Field Day– Learn how to create a rain garden and its benefits.

Arbor Day Celebration– Let's celebrate our Tree City USA status and plant trees.
May 15, 10am-12:30pm



2015 CSRI Calendar of Events *continued*

Sun. Nov. 22 Turkey Bowling & Games
1 - 3pm
(at Hanover Central High School, 10120 W. 133rd Ave. Cedar Lake)
Admission is free but advance registration is required.
Hanover Central High School Key Club
(219) 306-2919



Wed. Dec. 2 Visit with Santa at the Festival of Lights
6:30 - 7:30pm
(at Prairie West Park, St. John ~ on 93rd Ave., 1/2 mile west of US 41)
Admission is free but advance registration is requested.
St. John Parks & Recreation
(219) 365-6236



December 5 Holiday Festival Event
2 - 4pm
(at Pruzin Park, 5750 Tyler St., Merrillville)
Join us for dancing, music, food and fun!
Fees apply. Advance registration is necessary.
Merrillville Parks & Recreation
(219) 980-5911



Join the CSRI email contact list. Send your contact name and email address to csri2004@yahoo.com to be added.

The dates in this calendar of events are provided so you can 'save the date' on your 2015 calendar.
Registration may not begin until a later date as determined by the host agency.

Full information will be e-mailed out as the date approaches with details on the event.

Some programs may have a registration fee.
Advance registration is typically required for each event so preparations can be made.
Call the host agency for full details.

These agencies are working together to give you more options!
Anyone can participate in these programs regardless of the community you live in.

CSRI event notices are only sent via email or through agency brochures and flyers.

This calendar of events was assembled in Dec., 2014 and at that time all details were accurate.
However, details may change as the event approaches based on other circumstances.



2015 Calendar of Events

By working together toward a common goal we are able to provide more events to a larger amount of people than any one agency alone.

The following agencies are proud to partner to offer CSRI:

- ♦ Crown Point Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Dyer Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Hammond Parks and Recreation
- ♦ Hammond Port Authority
- ♦ Hanover Central HS Key Club
- ♦ Highland Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Lake County Parks
- ♦ Merrillville Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Munster Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Schererville Parks & Recreation
- ♦ St. John Parks & Recreation
- ♦ Whiting Parks & Recreation

2015 CSRI Calendar of Events



C.S.R.I. is a cooperative venture seeking ways to increase recreational opportunities for individuals of all ages who have special needs and abilities.

Sun. January 25 CSRI Indoor Carnival & Vendor Expo
1 - 3pm
(vendor space is still available)
Bounce Castle, volleyball, basketball, crafts, games, bingo, face painting and more. *Admission is free.*
Lincoln Center, 2450 Lincoln St., Highland
(219) 838-0114



Sat. February 14 Sweetheart Dance
11am - 1pm
Turkey Creek Golf Course Banquet Hall
(6400 Harrison St. in Merrillville)
Parents & Children are invited to this Sweetheart Dance.
\$6 fee for all attending.
Advance registration required by Feb. 4.
Lake County Parks (219) 945-0543



Wed. March 4 Wednesday Basketball Program
6:30 - 7:30pm
(thru May 20 at Eads School in Munster)
Fees apply. Advance registration is necessary.
For ages 3+.
Munster Parks & Recreation
(219) 836-7275



Sat. Mar 14 or 21 Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory Play
2pm
(at Crown Point Community Theater, 1125 Merrillville Rd.)
Admission is \$2 for CSRI participants and students, \$5 for caregivers. These are special performances for CSRI.
Crown Point Parks & Recreation
(219) 661-2271 (for tix. & info)



Sat. March 28 Egg Hunt at Community Park
9am
(on-site check in at 8:30am under shelter)
(if necessary rain date will be Sun. March 29th at 2pm)
Fees apply. Advance registration is necessary.
Munster Parks & Recreation
(219) 836-7275



Thurs. May 7 Touch a Fire Truck & Firefighting 101
6 - 8pm
(at Dyer Fire Dept., 2150 Hart St.)
Fascinated by fire trucks? A hands-on intro to the fire dept., fire safety and much of the equipment they use.
Event is free. Advance registration is requested.
Dyer Parks & Recreation
(219) 865-2505



Mon. June 15 Pool Party at Community Park pool
7 - 9pm
(Fisher St. & Calumet Ave. in Munster)
\$2 admission fee per person is payable at door.
Munster Parks & Recreation
(219) 836-7275



Sat. July 18 Special Needs Day at Festival of the Lakes
10am-Noon
(Wolf Lake Park, 2324 Calumet Ave., Hammond)
Ride the carnival rides for free! Hot dog, chips and pop to be provided for free! Don't miss out!
Hammond Parks & Recreation
(219) 853-6378



Wed. July 15 CSRI Day at the Northwest Indiana Oilmen Baseball Game
7pm
(1700 119th St. in Whiting)
Tickets are \$4 per person and available, at Oil City Stadium.
City of Whiting Parks & Recreation
(219) 659-1000



Mon. July 27 Pool Party at Community Park pool
7 - 9pm
(Fisher St. & Calumet Ave. in Munster)
\$2 admission fee per person is payable at door.
Munster Parks & Recreation
(219) 836-7275



Sat. August 22 Bowling and Pizza Party
11am - 1:30pm
(at Stardust Bowl III, 1330 Sheffield Ave., Dyer)
Fees apply. Event includes: bowling, shoes, pizza and pop!
Advance registration is necessary by Aug. 19.
Dyer Parks & Recreation
(219) 865-2505



Sun. Sept. 6 Wheelchair Accessible Hayride
2 - 4:30pm
(Oak Ridge Prairie County Park in Griffith)
\$3 fee for all attending.
Advance registration is necessary. Space is limited!
Lake County Parks
(219) 769-7275



Sat. Sept. 12 Splash and Dance
Noon - 3pm
(121st St. & Calumet Ave. in Hammond)
Admission is free for this outdoor fun day at the Wolf Lake Aquatic Play Center. Pre-registration is not required.
Concessions will be available.
Hammond Port Authority
(219) 937-7942



Sat. Oct. 17 Halloween Party
6 - 8pm
at the Schererville Community Center
(500 E. Joliet St. in Schererville)
Come dressed in costume. Bring a decorated Pumpkin!
Fees apply. Advance registration is necessary.
Schererville Parks & Recreation
(219) 865-5530



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Pruzin Community Center

Looking for a place to host a small gathering, party, graduation or shower

The Pruzin Community Center is a great facility to rent for small gatherings with a maximum of 60 guests. Rental is available on Saturday and Sundays from 10am to 3pm or 5pm to 10pm. Rental is also available the full day from 10am to 10pm. Applications for rental must be submitted and paid in full two weeks prior to event date.

Hall Rental Fees—60 guests-maximum

Resident Rate-Sat. & Sun. (5 hrs) 10a-3p or 5p-10p \$150

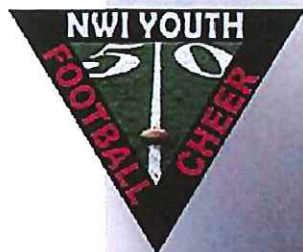
Resident Rate-Sat. & Sun. (12 hrs) 10a-10p \$225

Non-Resident-Sat. & Sun. (5 hrs) 10a-3p or 5p-10p \$200

Non-Resident-Sat. & Sun. (12 hrs) 10a-10p \$275

Security Deposit \$100. Refundable provided no damage to facility other than normal wear and tear.

Per the discretion of the Park Director, teen parties, graduations and weddings require security at \$35 per hour.



NWI Youth Football Inc.

Football & Cheerleading

For kids 8th grade and under

www.nwiyouthfootball.org

Registration Dates:

Saturday May 16th & 23rd

Time: 12:00 PM- 4:00 PM
At Crown Point Fun Center
1301 Merrillville Road, Crown Point

*Please Bring A Copy Of Birth Certificate

**Cheerleaders please come dressed in bathing suit or leotard to size uniforms correctly



**All league games played
at Andrean High School**

Cheerleading

\$40.00 Registration Fee
Plus \$100.00 For Uniform

Football

1st Player: \$150.00
2 Siblings: \$225.00
3 Siblings: \$275.00
4+ Siblings \$50.00 additional

We ask all participants to help us fundraise by selling a sponsorship package totaling : 1st Player: \$100.00 2 Siblings: \$150.00 3+ Siblings \$175.00

(219) 808-7598 For More Info Call (219) 793-3315



The Town of Merrillville, its administration, employees and Council Members are committed to providing the highest standard of excellence and community leadership to all residents. The Town of Merrillville prides itself on representing the public's interest, delivering services and understanding the needs of the citizens. We will utilize all resources to enrich the lives of the community and provide accountability and transparency in all government related activities. We will work towards economic vitality, development and redevelopment to make Merrillville a top community in Northwest Indiana. All of our employees are held to the highest standards of excellence in order to ensure quality services to the community they serve.

The Merrillville Park Brochure can also be found on line at www.merrillville.in.gov under Park & Recreation Activities tab. Help us stay green by downloading the brochure at the Town of Merrillville's website.